

Some Self-Defeating Philosophical Positions

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1. **Scientism** – The principle that only scientifically verifiable statements are true is itself not scientifically verifiable.
2. **Skepticism** – The statement that truth cannot be known is itself a statement considered to be true, which by its own verdict cannot be known.
3. **Logical Positivism** – The principle that only empirically verifiable statements can be true is itself not empirically verifiable.
4. **Kantian Phenomenalism** – If **causality** is just an *a priori* mental category imposed on sense data, then the whole enterprise of trying to account for what **causes** the experience of phenomena becomes self-defeating.
5. **Relativism** - The statement "Only relative truths exist" poses as absolute truth, which is self-defeating.
6. **Subjectivism** - The statement that we cannot know the objective world is itself an objective claim.
7. **Religious Pluralism** - The view that all religions are fundamentally the same is itself an exclusivist, not pluralist, position.

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